Date Mailed November 30, 1999

## BEFORE THE

## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of the Village of Prairie du Sac, as a Water Public Utility, for Authority to Change its Method of Collecting the Cost of Providing Public Fire Protection Service

4830-WR-104

## NOTICE OF PROCEEDING AND INVESTIGATION AND ASSESSMENT OF COSTS AND TELEPHONIC HEARING

**Telephonic Hearing Date:** Tuesday, December 21, 1999 – 1:30 p.m.

Hearing Locations: Lake Superior Room  $-2^{nd}$  Floor, Public Service

Commission, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, WI

Village Hall, 280 Washington Street, Prairie du Sac, WI

**THIS IS A PROCEEDING TO** consider the application received November 4, 1999, of the Village of Prairie du Sac, Sauk County, (applicant), as a water public utility, under Wis. Stat. §§ 196.03 (1) and (3), 196.20 (1), and 196.37 (1), (2) and (3), for authority to change its method of collecting the cost of providing public fire protection service. Applicant requests rates to charge individual ratepayers to replace the current method of charging the Village of Prairie du Sac which in turn recovers the public fire-protection dollars through property taxes.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission will investigate this matter and hold a public hearing on Tuesday, December 21, 1999, at 1:30 p.m. This will be a telephonic hearing conducted from two sites. The applicant will provide a room for customer participation in the Village Hall, 280 Washington Street, Prairie du Sac, Wisconsin. Customers may call the utility at (608) 643-2421 for further details on the location of the hearing room. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs. Commission staff will participate from the second location, the Public Service Commission Building, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, Wisconsin, in the Lake Superior Room. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs through the Whitney Way first floor (lobby) entrance. Parking for people with disabilities is available on the south side of the building. Any person with a disability who needs additional accommodations should contact the Assistant General Counsel listed below.

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This is a Class 1 proceeding as defined in Wis. Stat. § 227.01(3)(a). Jeffry J. Patzke is the Administrative Law Judge for the proceeding.

The Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the Assistant General Counsel listed below.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to Assistant General Counsel Steve Levine at (608) 267-2890.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin,
By the Commission:
Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission

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